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: BANDWIDTH FREE SPACE OPTICAL DATA
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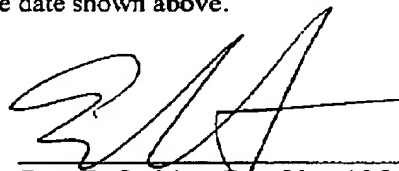
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2. Applicant

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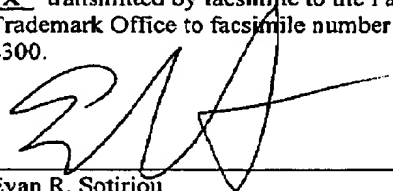
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3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) X Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
<u> </u> first month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00
<u> X </u> second month	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00
<u> </u> third month	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 510.00
<u> </u> fourth month	\$1,590.00	\$ 795.00
<u> </u> fifth month	\$2,160.00	\$ 1,080.00

Fee: \$ 450.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

 An extension of months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$.

OR

- (b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$145 = \$		+ \$290 = \$
					TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$

- (a) X No additional fee for Claims is required

OR

- (b) _____ Total additional fee for claims required \$ _____

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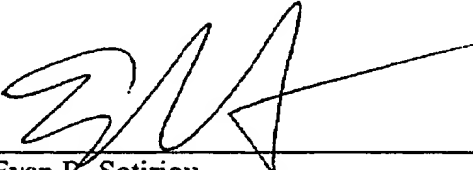
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In response to the Office Action dated December 13, 2005, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments, which are being filed in connection with the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time.